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APPLICANT: JOSEPH ANSCHER ET AL - 37 (CIP)

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE FIRST OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's First Office Action dated September 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.